## REMARKS

Applicants have carefully studied the outstanding Official Action. The present amendment is intended to be fully responsive to all points raised in the outstanding Official Action and is believed to place the application in condition for allowance. Favorable reconsideration and allowance of the captioned application are hereby respectfully requested.

Applicants thank the Primary Examiner for the courtesy of a telephone interview granted to Applicants' representative David Zviel, registration number 41,392, on 20 June 2005. In the interview, the Primary Examiner briefly clarified some questions with regard to the formal matters raised by the Primary Examiner in the outstanding Official Action.

Claims 15, 16, 18 - 25, 42, 46 - 51, 54, and 55 were pending in the present application before the present amendment. The present amendment cancels claims 18, 19, 22, and 23, and amends claims 15, 42, and 47.

The Primary Examiner's indication that the application is in condition for allowance except for certain formal matters is gratefully acknowledged.

Claims 15 and 42 have been amended in order to address the formal matters indicated by the Examiner. Claim 15 has also been amended in order to correct a further minor formal matter.

Claims 15 and 42 are therefore now deemed to be allowable.

Claims 18, 19, 22, and 23 have been cancelled without prejudice.

Claims 16, 20, 21, 24, and 25 depend directly or indirectly from amended claim 15 and recite additional patentable subject matter. Claims 16, 20, 21, 24, and 25 are therefore deemed allowable.

Claim 47 has been amended consequent to the amendment to claim 42.

Claims 46 - 51, 54, and 55 depend directly or indirectly from amended claim 42 and recite additional patentable subject matter. Claims 46 - 51, 54, and 55 are therefore deemed allowable.

In view of the foregoing remarks, it is respectfully submitted that the captioned application is now in condition for allowance. Favorable reconsideration and allowance of the captioned application are respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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